Annual Report of M.O.H.

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NORTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Medical Officer's Annual Report

for the year ending

1939.

To the Chairman and Members of the Norton U.D.C.

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my report for the year ended 31st December, 1939. In accordance with Ministry of Health Circular 2067 this report has been curtailed to meet the need for strict economy in the use of paper and also in view of the increasing pressure of work. It is, therefore, purely an Interim report but you may rest assured that all records and data are being preserved so that annual records may be completed after the war.

Statistics and Social Conditions of the area.

Area - 2899 acres

Estimate of population	Before September	4,200
	After September	5,000
Number of inhabited houses according to Rate Book ending 1939		1,430
Rateable Value		£ 19155

The inhabitants are engaged in Rural occupations and commercial enterprise which is chiefly in Malton. The majority live under good conditions.

Government Evacuation Scheme.

Under the Government Evacuation Scheme the following persons were billeted in Norton.

Unaccompanied Children	709
Mothers	26
Children under school age	46
Teachers	44
Helpers	34
Others (Cripples, Blind etc)	9
	868

These persons arrived from Hull and Sunderland on the 1st and 10th September respectively.

Air Raid Precautions.

An efficient scheme of Air Raid Precautions has been formulated for the District. Provision has been made for the treatment of casualties. A First Aid Post for the treatment of Minor Injuries has been provided and in the event of air raids will be manned by personnel of the Norton Detachment of the British Red Cross Society. Arrangements have been made for the removal of major casualties to hospital. Personnel of the St. John Ambulance Brigade will give immediate treatment to injured persons before their removal to the First Aid Post or Hospital.

All the First Aid Personnel has been trained and will continue to receive training so that maximum efficiency may be arrived at. One full time Ambulance has been provided and two emergency ambulances are available for use during an air raid.

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INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

The District can be regarded as comparatively free from infectious disease during the year.

Notifiable Diseases (Other than Tuberculosis) during the year 1939.

Disease	Total Cases Notified	Total Cases Admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Small Pox	NIL	NIL	NIL
Scarlet Fever	22	21	NIL
Diphtheria	3	3	1
Enteric Fever (including Para-Typhoid)	NIL	NIL	NIL
Puerperal Fever	NIL	NIL	NIL
Puerperal Pyrexia	NIL	NIL	NIL
Pneumonia	NIL	NIL	NIL
Other diseases generally notifiable	NIL	NIL	NIL
Other diseases notifiable locally	NIL	NIL	NIL

TUBERCULOSIS.

New Cases & Mortality

during 1939.

Age Periods	New Cases				Deaths.			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Resp.		Non - Resp.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0								
1								
5								
15								
25	1				1			
35								
45								
55								
65 & upwards.								
TOTAL	1				1			

Tuberculosis.

No action was taken under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925, or under Sect. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1925, or Section 172 of Public Health Act, 1936.

Prevention of Blindness.

No action taken.

(Signed) J. A. ADAMS M.B., Ch. B.
Medical Officer of Health.

Norton.
August 1940.